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THE "MOORESVILLE" PLAN

The "Mooresville Plan," which is an idea which calls for community improvement on a wide scale, has been attracting increasing interest in the United States.

The plan originated in Mooresville, North Carolina, and it calls for a remodeling job on every store front in this small rural community, for one thing. In general, it is an attempt for community progress on an almost-unanimous basis.

The plan was originated in 1957 and since has drawn nationwide attention. The original schedule of work was broken down into two target dates, with the first completion plan set for 1965. There are five individual phases of community improvement.

For small communities who are seeking to keep up with their big-community brethren, increasing the business of merchants and improving tht appearance of their business and rural areas, the plan is an interesting and promising one.

It includes such things as improved parking facilities, improved sanitation, and even a canopy which was installed along one block—in Mooresville— to protect shoppers from the rain.

With the all-important target date of 1965, how about a serious movement for a "Five-Year Plan for APPOMATTOX-"

ANOTHER JUNE

Although it seems hard to believe, the arrival of June brings us almost to the half-way point of 1960. By the end of June, a fiscal year will have been completed and 1960 will be entering its final half.

The month of June brings with it summer, commencements, weddings, school vacations and beautiful weather, and is thus, perhaps the most welcomed of all months. In this month the days are longer than during any other month of the year; there is more daylight and less darkness.

June is not a month of birthday anniversaries for many famous Americans, but it contains many patriotic days. The anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill,fought on June 17, 1775, is observed in Boston.

The United States Government actually began in the month of June, 1788, when New Hampshire ratified the Constitution, the last article of which provided that, upon ratification by nine states, the establishment of the Constitution beween the States would be effected.

The first American troops to land in France in World War I landed in June, on the 26th of the month, in 1917.

But a United States force was defeated on June 25, 1876, when Lieutenant-Colonel George A. Custer and 208 men were massacred by a force of Indians at the Little Big Horn River in Montana.

World War I was actually precipitated in June of 1914, when, on the 28th—a Sunday—Archduke Franz Ferdinand, heir to the throne of Austro-Hungary, was assinated at Sarejevo, Bosnia.

Father's Day also falls in June, as does the birthday of the first and only President of the Confederacy, Jefferson Davis.

Many events of World War II occurred in June, such as the historic D-Day.

But, for many, a main feature of June is that it brings long days and summer, commencements and vacations, —and a new crop of June brides!

Withholding Free Information

A Senate subcommitee recently issued a 706-page report on the information certain federal agencies are withholding from the public.

The result of the long report is the conclusion that many agencies are withholding information from the public which the public is entitled to have. The report is the result of a year-long survey by the Senate Constitutional Rights subcommittee. The subcommittee is headed by Senator Thomas C. Hennings, Jr., Missouri Democrat.

Hennings says there is too much secrecy in our federal government, and points out that many federal officials are frankly confused about what they should withhold from the public and what they should not withhold.

One of the surprising results of the study is the conclusion that more than a dozen agencies are currently withholding information from the public on the basis of a section in the Administrative Procedure Act which actually intended to ensure that government records were made available to the public.

Perhaps one of the main causes of secrecy is the doctrine of "executve privilege," which was invoked by both President Truman and President Eisenhower, on occasion. It has been used more prominently in recent years, however, and Congress is rapidly reaching the situation where it cannot demand any information from a federal agency which the President does not wish the agency to reveal.

As a general basis for desirable policy, the public should be given all information which does not adversely affect national security or national defense.

And it is in the field of national defense, and among the armed services, where the most questionable reports have been released — reports concerning new weapons and new developments, perhaps released by a certain service to obtain favorable publicity, and perhaps funds from Congress, as a result.

There is no justification for secracy in economic or governmental matters, and no bureaucratic official has the right to decide what information the American people will be given.

Good music can relax you, but you've got to start out awake to notice the change.

This is the time of the year to appreciate the weather. There is nothing else you can do about it.

A writer usually gets his compliments when a caller asks him to write something, free, of course.

The world would be better off if all sentences beginning with "Did you hear?" were never finished.

The other day we saw a man who did not know the answers to the major political questions of the day.

The trouble with most "friends" is that they won't pay the price of loyal friendship when a test comes.

Why is it there are always people to tell you how to invest your money who have none to invest themselves?

A person cannot take his money with him, but he can take with him the satisfaction of having used it to help other people.

The trouble with going in debt, which is easy, is that one never knows how hard it will be, in the future, to come out again.

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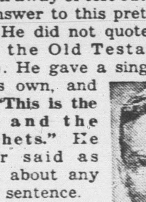
The Golden Rule

Lesson for June 5, 1960

WHAT IS THE Bible driving at? What is the essence of the Bible, what is it that can't be thrown away or left out? Jesus put the answer to this pretty strongly once. He did not quote any verse from the Old Testament (his Bible). He gave a single sentence of his own, and said **"This is the Law and the Prophets."** He never said as much about any other sentence.



Dr. Foreman

No wonder the Christian church hit on the name "Golden Rule" for this sentence which Jesus boldly identified with the Law and the Prophets. It is indeed golden. But "rule" can be misunderstood. Most rules are designed to save people the trouble of thinking. Applying rules is a scientific procedure. But this "Golden Rule" is of such a nature that applying it is an art, not a science. So far from saving any one the trouble of thinking, it demands thought. The Golden Rule, in the life of a stupid and selfish person produces only a mess, and can do great harm.

Intelligence

At least three things are necessary in order to make the Golden Rule work. What is this Golden Rule? **"Whatever you wish that men would do to you, do so to them."** This is a challenge, first of all, to **intelligence.** It is really a principle, not a rule. It does not tell you to do any particular act. It does not describe any particular situation. It is open to being misunderstood (as all wise sayings are) by the foolish and the stupid. What could we say of a man who would give his wife a shotgun just because he would like to have one?

Imagination

The Golden Rule calls for imagination as well as intelligence. If the man who gave his wife the shotgun would try to put himself into his wife's place, he would ask, "If I were my wife, what birthday present would I want?" And he might remember that she had said something about wanting new bathroom curtains. Or, if he had an even stronger power of imagination, he could think his way into her mind and guess at something she had never so much as mentioned—an extension telephone, or a trip to her old home. Whatever you would wish people to do to you —if you were in their place—do so to them. That is the real meaning of this rule.

Sometimes it calls for the kind of imagination that can look into the future. Parents and teachers need this greatly. You can perhaps imagine what this child, this student, wants you to do now. He wants you not to punish him. He wants you not to require hard work of him. Now you can let the child do as he pleases without lifting a hand against him, and that will suit his down to the ground. But ten years from now you—and he too—may sorely wish you had spanked him good when spanking would do some good. Likewise the teacher can be easy on the class—with the consequence that they learn nothing. Years later they may fail in competition with those who once studied under harder-driving teachers. Then they will wish the teacher had put on the screws.

The Christian Heart

The Golden Rule calls for something beyond, or rather undergirding, intelligence and imagination. Its right use calls for the Christian heart, that is to say, a heart in tune with the heart of Jesus, a heart wherein dwells the Holy Spirit; a heart sensitive not merely to the wants of others but to their needs. Jesus himself gave an illustration of this when the paralyzed man was brought to him by the man's four friends who let him down through the roof. The first thing Jesus said to him was "Your sins are forgiven." Some people would have criticized Jesus for that. Where was any evidence that this man wanted his sins forgiven? Would his friends think a trick had been played on them? A forgiven cripple weighs just as much as an unforgiven cripple, doesn't he? But our Lord knew what the man needed most of all was forgiveness. Only a Christ-like heart can see through want to need.

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KNOW THE WEATHER

By E. H. Sims

Does the sun have much to do with our weather — other than heating the earth and bodies of water?

Yet, it is generally agreed now, among the experts, that the sun affects our weather to a remarkable degree. Not all of the relationship is understood.

But it is known that the mere heating of the earth and bodies of water is but one of the many influneces the sun controls. The sun is thought to be the key to trends of weather on earth, a cycle of cold weather, or warm, which may cover decades or scores of years. The sun has low pressure, or storm areas moving around its surface, and these may partially control our weather.

Of course, the sun's heating power is the source of clouds, and moisture—as a result of clouds.

It is difficult to understand events which take place hundreds of miles away, and an intelligent opinion requires careful reading and background knowledge.

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Memphis, Tenn. - Nearly two weeks after a burglar stole an electric shaver from a home in Memphis, he returned for something he had overlooked on the first trip, the electric cord.

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SWITCH!

Rawlins, Wyo.- John Dillinger is a guard at the Wyoming State Penitentiary, in Rawlins. He is not related to the notorious outlaw of the thirties.

FAMILY SAVED

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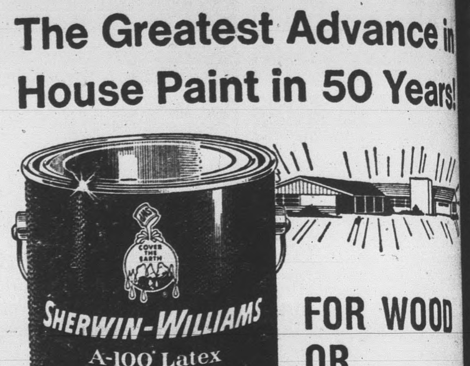

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Beckham

[Be]ckham, May 31.- Mrs. Ran[...] Tyree and son, "Butch," of [...] visited Mrs. T. M. Mar[...] Friday.

[Mrs.] J. T. Morris was the Sunday [...] guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. [...], Ronnie, Carolyn Jo and [...] S. G. Martin.

[Mr.] and Mrs. Herman Moore, Jr., [Doro]thy Jane and Dianne, of Richmond spent Sunday and Monday [with] Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore, [...] They also visited Mrs. T. M. [Mar]tin and Miss Eunice Martin.

[...] Alfred C. Martin spent the [week]-end and Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin,

[Mrs.] William Moore, who is now [liv]ing in Norfolk visited Mr. and [Mrs.] Howard R. Moore over the [week]-end.

[...] Charles Allen Tweedy spent the [week]-end at home.

[...] Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. T. [...] Martin and Miss Eunice Martin [...] Mr. and Mrs. Jutson Morris, Mr. R. B. Martin and Mrs. S. G. Martin. Visiting in the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mays, Mrs. J. T. Morris, Mrs. Robert Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore, Jr., Dorothy Jane and Dianne, Mr. and Mrs. David Martin, Pam and Mrs. R. B. Martin.

Mrs. Kinckle Martin, Mrs. Beverly Martin, Mr. R. B. Moore, and Mr. Roger Lee Moore visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore Sr. on Sunday night.

Mrs. Mary Burge, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Burge, of Hopewell, and Robert Burge visited Mr. Henry Burge in Lynchburg General Hospital Sunday and Monday. We are sorry to hear of his illness and hope he will soon be well.

Mr. and Mrs. Eural Martin and Don spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Martin.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, May 31.- Little Timmie Wright, of Madison Heights is spending a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crews were Saturday night dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Martin and family.

Mrs. Don Johnson and daughter, Beverly, of Lynchburg, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Layne Monday.

Those who visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Patterson and children of below Appomattox; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Martin and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martin, and son, Mike.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Woodson during the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Grayson Ramsey and daughter, Lynn, Misses Pam and Carolyn Myers, all of Lynchburg, and Mr. and Mrs. George Woodson and son, Lawrence, of Williamsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reynolds were visiting in Lynchburg Monday night.

Rev. and Mrs. K. O. Kelly, of Concord and Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Thompson, Jr. and children were the Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Nell Walton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Thomas and daughter, Vicky visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Lee Thomas, of Vera Sunday.

Visitors of Mrs. Juddy Glover on Sunday evening were Mrs. T. D. Harris and four children, of Pamplin.

Mr. and Mrs. David Harvey visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Phelps, of Gladstone Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Anderson and daughter, Audrey, of Keysville were the Thursday guests of her mother, Mrs. Juddy Glover.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Woodson visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reams, of Phenix Saturday night.

Mrs. Juddy Glover spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Tolley and son, Roy Allen, of Lynchburg.

Mr. A. C. Almond called to see Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Ferguson Monday night.

County Line

County Line, May 25.- Rev. Winfred Elder preached a splendid sermon at Central Sunday night.

Recent visitors of Miss Emma Haar, Mrs. Dewitt Marshall and Miss Ruth Woodeon were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bowen, of Jacksonville, Florida. Mrs. Bowen is the former Hazel Cheatham. Other visitors were Mrs. Russell Cordell and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Marshall and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Jordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Roland visited Mrs. Dan Irby Sunday night.

We are glad to report that Mrs. James Waller has returned home from the hospital, and is getting on nicely. Those visiting her Tuesday P. M. were her brother and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Louis Carson and baby, and Mrs. Phillip Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodge and family, of Danville visited Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mann Sunday.

Mr. Edd Moses is not so well.

Mr. Emery Mullin is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Layne spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Jones.

LARGE CLASS FIVE-POINTERS AT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A special assembly was held Friday at the Appomattox Elementary School to recognize all of the five-pointers in the primary grades. A similar program was held earlier for the five-pointers in the elementary grades.

Those receiving recognition Friday were:

First Grade

Gary Clapp, Mary Brown, Claudia Gordon, Patricia Harden, Carolyn Hudson, Cynthia Jenkins, Margie Morris, Ethelyn Pfaff, Carolyn Reynolds, Minerva Torrence, Karen Jenkins, Mary Doss, Jack Giles, Betty Ferguson, Patricia Mays, Johnny Cole, Jeff Dickerson, Stephen Marshall, David McCraw, Charles Phillips, Debbie Caldwell, Cornelia Guill, Becky Harvey, Lucy Martin, Nancye Matthews, Brenda Trent, Tony Wilhoit, Stephen Wilson, Helen Rogers. Karen Cotner.

Second Grade

Jesse Arthurs, Neal Cabiness, Hal Chambers, Don Conner, Lynn Doss, Curtis Eagle, Melvin Franklin, John Guthrie, Twyman Nash, R. B. Paulette, Georgie Brannan, Beth Cravens, Anne Herncall, Donna Hubbard, Elizabeth Johnson, Deborah Phelps, Ted Dickerson, Gerald Arrington, Paul Harvey, Irvin Mann, Wayne Moore, Richard Poe, Michael Scott, Dale Slough, Robert Smith, Linda Moses, Tommy Terry, Rose Motley, Bonnie Phelps, Connie Phelps, Kay Thomas.

Third Grade

Benny Cole, James Mann, Randy Moore, Johnny Redding, Bill Trent, Dudley Hill, Gary Dinkins, Yvonne Batien, Norma Ferguson, Janice Jamerson, Patricia Maxwell, Michelle Stanley, Tommy Bass, Joe Marshall, Carlton Phillips, Jimmy Wooldridge, Sandra Caldwell, Lauren Clements, Jean Carson, Debra Chernault, Amy Evans, Betty Trent, Priscilla Wooldridge, Valerie Paulette, Danny Hamilton, Beverley Davidson, Barry Marcus, Mary Guill, Brenda Massey.

Fourth Grade

Jimmy Beamer, Ronald Harris, Clyde Harvey, Larry Smith, Judy Goodrich, Helen Shouse, Tommy Wilhoit, Michael George, Kenneth Turner, Linda Grinels, Bruce Cotner, Suzanne Guill, Darlene Slough, Brenda Pugh, Roy Arrington, Ricky Gallier, Rex Gallier, Johnny Jarrell, Monte Mays, John Richardson, Mike Seay, William Shouse, Valeria Brannan, Dianne Doss, Pamela Ferguson, Hamner Harwood, Sarah Lane, Alfred Wallace, Louise Wheeler.

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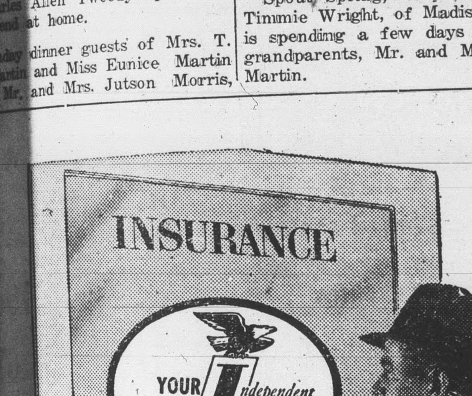

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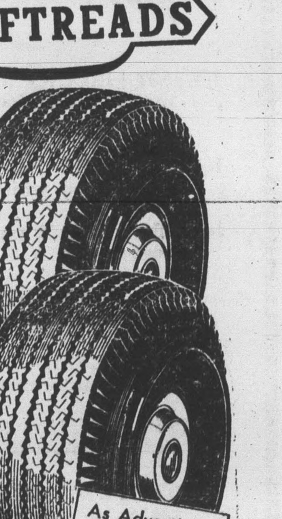

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